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Security Council

3 p.m.	5784th meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan

   Report of the Secretary-General on the deployment of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (S/2007/653)

Afternoon[1]	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room

Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan (S/2007/653)

Other matters

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 5784th meeting.

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1533 (2004) concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

3 p.m.	Informal meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6

General Assembly

Sixty-second session

Informal consultations of the whole on draft resolution A/C.2/62/L.37 related to the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development

3–4.30 p.m.	5th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2

General Assembly

Sixty-second session

Informal consultations on agenda item 77 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 8
3–6 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 8

Security Council

The Security Council Ad Hoc Working Group on Conflict Prevention and Resolution in Africa will hold a seminar (open) on the item entitled "An effective global conflict prevention strategy in Africa, the role of the Security Council". The Seminar will be held on Monday, 3 December 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

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General Assembly
Sixty-second session

Commemorative high-level plenary meeting devoted to the follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children (11-12 December 2007)

The list of speakers for the plenary meetings of the Commemorative high-level plenary meeting devoted to the follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children is open. Delegations wishing to participate in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940B; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; fax 1 (212) 963-3783; e-mail dizon@un.org).

Delegations are further reminded that statements should not exceed seven minutes each.

General Assembly
Sixty-second session

Main Committees

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 53rd meeting Conference Room 1

3–6 p.m. 54th meeting Conference Room 1

1. Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly [62 (a)]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.10/Rev.1

2. Advancement of women [63]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.89

3. Advancement of women [63 (a)]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.20/Rev.1 (programme budget implications contained in document A/C.3/62/L.87)

4. Promotion and protection of the rights of children [66 (a)]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/62/L.23/Rev.1 and A/C.3/62/L.24/Rev.1

5. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [68]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.65 (programme budget implications contained in document A/C.3/62/L.90)

6. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [70 (b)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/62/L.38, A/C.3/62/L.40, A/C.3/62/L.44 (programme budget implications contained in document A/C.3/62/L.91), A/C.3/62/L.47/Rev.1 and A/C.3/62/L.49

7. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly . . . . . [121]

Programme of work of the Third Committee for the sixty-third session (A/C.3/62/L.86)

8. Programme planning . . . . . [129]

9. Completion of the work of the Third Committee

Fifth Committee

10–10.15 a.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 129 (Programme planning (A/62/16 and A/62/81))

10.15 a.m.–12 noon . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 128 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009: United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board (A/62/175, A/62/7/Add.3, A/62/7/Add.3/Corr.1, A/C.5/62/2 and A/62/7/Add.13))

12 noon–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 128 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009: Revised estimates relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 under sections 17, 20, 21, 27, 28C, 28D, 28E, 28F and 28G to ensure operational preparedness and business continuity in a protracted human influenza pandemic crisis (A/62/328, A/62/7/Add.1 and A/62/7/Add.1/Corr.1))

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 161 (Financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (A/62/380, A/62/379 and A/62/540))

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. Human Rights Council
2. Executive session

Peacebuilding Commission
Second session

An informal meeting (open) of the Sierra Leone configuration will be held on *today*, 27 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Meeting of States Parties

There will be informal consultations on the decision on the allocation of seats on the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea *today* and Thursday, *27* and 29 November 2007 from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8. States Parties and States Non Parties are invited to attend.

General Assembly

Sixty-second session

Main Committees

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Khaled Elbakly (Egypt), under agenda item 54 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development)

From 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 2207 (DC2 Building, 22nd floor).

Facilitator, Mr. Marcus Leroy (Belgium), under agenda item 57 (a) (Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries)

From 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room S-770.

Facilitator, Mr. Selwin Hart (Barbados), under agenda item 52 (c) (External debt crisis and development)

From 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 1120 (DC2 Building, 11th floor).

Facilitator, Mrs. Fernande Afiavi Houngbedji (Benin), under agenda item 54 (e) (Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa)

From 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Mr. Galetshajwe Lealola Rebagamang (Botswana), under agenda item 58 (a) (Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006))

From 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Facilitator, Ms. Hannah Liko (Austria), under agenda item 56 (b) (Science and Technology for development)

From 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 1120 (DC2 Building, 11th floor).

Facilitator, Mr. Marcelo Suárez Salvia (Argentina), under agenda item 52 (b) (International financial system and development)

From 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B.

Facilitator, Mr. Harald Fries (Sweden), under agenda item 61 (Towards global partnerships)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Facilitator, Mr. Noel González Segura (Mexico), under agenda item 59 (c) (South-South cooperation for development)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Facilitator, Mr. Tony Fautua (New Zealand), under agenda item 54 (b) (Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 1402 (DC1 Building, 14th floor).

Facilitator, Mr. Zigmars Zilgalvis (Latvia), under agenda item 58 (c) (Human resources development)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

Facilitator, Mr. Erik Lundberg (on behalf of the Chairperson of the Second Committee), under agenda item 54 (a) (Agricultural technology for development)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Ms. Laura Canuto (Italy), under agenda item 54 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity)

From 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Facilitator, Mr. Mikio Mori (Japan), under agenda item 57 (b) (Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation)

From 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room S-770.

Facilitator, Mr. Thomas Gass (Switzerland), under agenda item 59 (b) (Triennial policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Facilitator, Ms. Denise McQuade (Ireland), under agenda item 54 (c) (International Strategy for Disaster Reduction)

From 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Facilitator, Mr. Giza Gaspar Martins (Angola), under agenda item 52 (a) (International trade and development)

From 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

Tuesday, 27 November 2007

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa" (under agenda item 47) (convened by the delegation of the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the African Group))

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the draft resolution "International cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters, from relief to development" (under agenda item 71) (convened by the delegation of India (on behalf of Group of 77))

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the draft resolution "From rhetoric to reality: a global call for concrete action against racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action" (under agenda item 68) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Pakistan)

3–4.30 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the right to development (under agenda item 70 (b)) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Cuba (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement Working Group))

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the "Role of the United Nations in promoting a new global human order" (under agenda item 50) (convened by the delegation of Guyana)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 27 November 2007

Non-Aligned Movement (Working group on human rights: right to development)

9 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

JUSCANZ Group (Third Committee)

9.15–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Sixth Coordination Meeting on International Migration (organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

9.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Group of 77 (on draft resolutions on sustainable development)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on Triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Group of 77 (on Second Committee draft resolutions)

1.15–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Briefing on the United Nations Assistance to the Khmer Rouge Trials (UNAKRT) and the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

African Group: Experts on "Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa"

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Other activities

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Tuesday, 27 November 2007

Conference on "The positive impact of ICT on the environment and climate change" (organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Global Alliance for ICT and Development and the AIT Global)

From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[For further information, please contact Mr. Robert de Jesus, GAID Secretariat (e-mail dejesus3@un.org).]

Women's International Forum on "The great transition or a fortress world: The challenges of climate and development" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

From 11 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.]

Panel discussion on "Smart energy for the twenty-first century" (sponsored by the United States Mission)

From 1 to 2.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Millie Meyers, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4085; e-mail meyersm@state.gov).]

Conference on "The 1932-33 terror-famine (Holodomor) in Ukraine: What was its true nature?" (in commemoration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of Holodomor, Ukraine)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited.]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

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Room S-226

11.15 a.m. . . . . Mr. Esteban B. Conejos Jr., Under-Secretary for Migrant Worker Affairs of the Philippines; H.E. Ms. Régine de Clercq, Ambassador for Migration and Asylum Policy, Executive Director of the Global Forum on Migration and Development (Belgium); and Ms. Hania Zlotnik, Director, Population Division, Department of Economic and Social

Affairs (on the achievements of the first meeting of the Global Forum on Migration and Development in Belgium, and the expectations for its next meeting in Philippines)

Guest at noon briefing . . Mr. Claes Johansson, United Nations Development Programme (on the report "Fighting climate change: Human solidarity in a divided world")

3 p.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, Permanent Representative of Qatar (on the Qatari draft resolution presented before the Third Committee of the General Assembly on World Autism Awareness Day under the agenda item "Promotion and Protection of the Rights of the Child")

Security Council stakeout

1.15 p.m. . . . . H.E. M. Yuriy Sergeyev, Permanent Representative of Ukraine (to brief the press on the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Great Famine of 1932-1933 in Ukraine)

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

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Main Committees

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Eduardo Menez (Philippines), under agenda item 56 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Facilitator, Mr. Harald Aspelund (Iceland), under agenda item 55 (Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat))

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B; and

*Friday, 30 November.*2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Facilitator, Mr. Khaled Elbakly (Egypt), under agenda item 54 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development)

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Suite of Offices of Conference Room 1; and

Friday, 30 November 2007, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room C.

Facilitator, Ms. Lilit Toutkhalian (Armenia), under agenda item 60 (Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research)

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Facilitators, Ms. Mateja Vodeb Ghosh (Slovenia) and Ms. Zhanar Kulzhanova (Kazakhstan), under agenda item 58 (b) (Women in development)

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7; and

Friday, 30 November 2007, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Facilitator, Mr. Andre Omer Siregar (Indonesia), under agenda item 56 (c) (Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of assets of illicit origin and returning such assets, in particular to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption)

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in in Conference Room 1402 (DC1 Building, 14th floor); and

Friday, 30 November 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1402 (DC1 Building, 14th floor).

Facilitator, Mr. Erik Lundberg (on behalf of the Chairperson of the Second Committee), under agenda item 54 (a) (Agricultural technology for development)

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B.

Facilitator, Mr. Harald Fries (Sweden), under agenda item 61 (Towards global partnerships)

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room C; and

Thursday, 29 November 2007, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Facilitator, Mr. Marcus Leroy (Belgium), under agenda item 57 (a) (Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries)

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room S-770.

Facilitator, Mr. Thomas Gass (Switzerland), under agenda item 59 (b) (Triennial policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system)

Wednesday, 28 November 2008, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7;

Thursday, 29 November 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7; and

Friday, 30 November 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Facilitator, Ms. Laura Canuto (Italy), under agenda item 54 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity)

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 5 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C;

Thursday, 29 November 2007, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9; and

Friday, 30 November 2007, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Facilitator, Mr. Javad Amin-Mansour (Islamic Republic of Iran), under agenda item 54 (g) (Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twenty-fourth session)

Thursday, 29 November 2007, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

Facilitator, Mr. Laurent Pic (France), under agenda item 54 (i) (Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy)

Thursday, 29 November 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Facilitator, Ms. Melanie Santizo-Sandoval (Guatemala), under agenda item 54 (h) (Sustainable mountain development)

Thursday, 29 November 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Wednesday, 28 November 2007 at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

The 306th meeting of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will be held on Thursday, 29 November 2007, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Assistance and Support to Victims of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse

The Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Assistance and Support to Victims of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse will be held on Monday, 3 to Friday, 7 December 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.

The meetings on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, will take place in the Economic and Social Council Chamber; the meeting on Tuesday will take place in Conference Room 1.

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

The Ad hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East will meet on Tuesday, 4 December 2007, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Peacebuilding Commission
Second session

An informal meeting (open) of the Burundi configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund
Informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold informal consultations on:

The UNDP-UNCDF Partnership Framework, UNCDF Programming and Funding Arrangements and UNCDF cost recovery policy:

Thursday, 29 November 2007 from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

The UNDP's accountability system (accountability framework and oversight policy):

Friday, 7 December 2007, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Economic and Social Chamber.

[Interested delegations are invited to attend.]

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on "Safety and Security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (under agenda item 71) (convened by the delegation of Portugal (on behalf of the European Union))

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C; and

Friday, 30 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on "Strengthening emergency relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction and prevention in the aftermath of the Indian Ocean tsunami disaster" (under agenda item 71 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Indonesia (on behalf of the Indian Ocean tsunami affected countries))

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (under agenda item 71 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

Thursday, 29 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D; and

Friday, 30 November 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa" (under agenda item 47) (convened by the delegation of the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the African Group))

Thursday, 29 November 2007, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Other forthcoming meetings

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JUSCANZ Group (Second Committee experts)

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room C.

Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Group of 77 and China (on Third Committee matters)

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Secretariat of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (mock election of judges)

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (sixth session)

Friday, 30 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

UNITAR Peace and Security Series: Briefing on "Children in armed conflict: new resolve to protect the most vulnerable"

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Sarah Rosengaertner (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021; rosengaertner@un.org).]

African Group: Experts on "Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa"

Thursday, 29 November 2007, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States

Thursday, 29 November 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Forthcoming other activities

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Meeting on "The justice rapid response initiative" (organized by the Permanent Missions of Canada, Finland and Sierra Leone)

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9; and

Thursday, 29 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Conference Room 9.

[All delegations are invited to attend.]

Briefing by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) on the Global System of Trade Preferences (GSTP)

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, at 11 a.m. in the New York Office of UNCTAD (DC2-1120).

[All are invited to attend.]

DPI/NGO briefing on "AIDS: Eliminating stigma and discrimination" (in observance of World AIDS Day)

Thursday, 29 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Robin Della Rocca, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (917) 367-8020; e-mail dellarocca@un.org).]

Panel discussion on "Legal aspects of return of internally displaced persons and refugees to Abkhazia, Georgia" (sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Georgia)

Thursday, 29 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mrs. Ana Chavchavadze, Permanent Mission of Georgia (tel. 1 (212) 759-1949).]

Special events on the the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People (organized by the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, in cooperation with the Permanent Observer Mission of Palestine)

Thursday, 29 November 2007:

Screening of the film entitled "Knowledge is the beginnning: Daniel Barenboim and the West-Eastern Divan Orchestra", at 1 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium; and

Opening of the exhibit entitled "Palestine: A continuing legacy", at 6 p.m. in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

Panel discussion on "From the United States to Africa to the Caribbean: Women at the front of the AIDS crisis" (sponsored by the United States Mission)

Tuesday, 4 December 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Peggy Kerry, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4054; e-mail kerryp@state.gov).]

Announcements

Preparations for the fifty-second session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fifty-second session of the Commission on the Status of Women (25 February–7 March 2008), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Key policy initiatives and innovative approaches to financing for gender equality and the empowerment of women; and (b) Capacity building on gender mainstreaming in relation to financing for gender equality and the empowerment of women. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and to provide curricula vitae outlining the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate in relation to the theme of the panel. Information should be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail mcdougalls@un.org or selcuk@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than Friday, 30 November 2007. Further details on the panel discussions will be made available from 1 November on the DAW Web site <http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw/52sess.htm#interactive>.

General Assembly

List of candidates

Delegations are kindly reminded that the list of candidates (an informal working paper) for the sixty-second session of the General Assembly and other information on elections and candidatures are available on CandiWeb at the following address: <https://secln069.un.org/candiweb>. Instructions to access the Web page can be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2337 or via e-mail to santomauro@un.org.

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-second session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixty-second regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (room S-3420F or S-3420S; tel. 1 (212) 963-5358 or 963-5377).

Security Council

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.html>.

Recorded information

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Summary of official meetings

Monday, 26 November 2007

General Assembly

Sixty-second session

56th plenary meeting

Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly [121]

The President made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Portugal (on behalf of the European Union and those countries that aligned themselves with this statement), Algeria (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), Malaysia, Tunisia, Cuba, India, Egypt, Peru, Senegal, Uruguay, Kazakhstan, Belarus, Yemen, the United States, Brazil, Nicaragua, Viet Nam, Japan, Liechtenstein, Nepal, Pakistan, Guinea and Indonesia.

Programme of work

The General Assembly was informed that the consideration of agenda item 50 (The role of the United Nations in promoting a new global human order) was postponed to a later date, to be announced.

The General Assembly was further informed that the reports of the First Committee would be considered on Wednesday, 5 December 2007, in the afternoon.

57th plenary meeting

Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly [121]

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 121.

Statements were made by the representatives of Honduras, Colombia and San Marino.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 121.

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields: draft resolution (A/62/L.15) [48]*; Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit [116]; United Nations reform: measures and proposals* [117]*; Strengthening of the United Nations system* [123]*: joint debate*

The representative of Kyrgyzstan made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/62/L.15.

Statements were made by the representatives of Portugal (on behalf of the European Union and those countries that aligned themselves with this statement), Cuba, Egypt, Belarus, Nepal, Kuwait and Kazakhstan.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 57/32 of 19 November 2002, the observer for the Inter-Parliamentary Union made a statement.

The General Assembly decided to adopt draft resolution A/62/L.15 (resolution 62/10).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda items 48, 116, 117 and 123.

The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict [13]

(a) Letter from the Head of Delegation of the European Commission transmitting the report on the progress made towards the implementation of the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme (A/62/543 and A/62/543/Add.1)

(b) Draft resolution (A/62/L.16)

The General Assembly decided, without setting a precedent, to hear the observer for the European Community, Chair of the Kimberley Process, as the first speaker in the debate on agenda item 13.

In accordance with this decision and General Assembly resolution 3208 (XXIX) of 11 October 1974, the observer for the European Community made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Botswana, the United States, India, Namibia, Canada, the Russian Federation, Australia and Angola.

The General Assembly decided to adopt draft resolution A/62/L.16, as orally corrected (resolution 62/11).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 13.

Report of the International Criminal Court: draft resolution (A/62/L.13) . . . . . [76]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 76.

The representative of the Netherlands made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/62/L.13.

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

The General Assembly decided to adopt draft resolution A/62/L.13 (resolution 62/12).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 76.

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

24th meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space . . . . . [31]

Action on draft resolutions

The representative of France made a statement introducing the draft resolutions A/C.4/62/L.8 and A/C.4/62/L.9.

A statement was made by the representative of Japan.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of the United States and Japan.

A/C.4/62/L.8

The Committee adopted draft resolution entitled "Recommendations on enhancing the practice of States and international intergovernmental organizations in registering space objects" (A/C.4/62/L.8) without a vote.

A/C.4/62/L.9

The Committee took action on operative paragraph 42 of draft resolution entitled "International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space" (A/C.4/62/L.9) and adopted the paragraph, by a recorded vote of 148 to 6, with 3 abstentions.

A statement was made by the representative the United States.

The Committee adopted draft resolution entitled "International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space" (A/C.4/62/L.9), as a whole, without a vote.

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Mexico, Japan, Brazil, Thailand, the United Kingdom and the United States.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 31.

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [32]

The Chairman made a statement.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

The representative of Indonesia made a statement introducing draft resolutions A/C.4/62/L.10, A/C.4/62/L.11, A/C.4/62/L.12 and A/C.4/62/L.13.

Action on draft resolutions

A/C.4/62/L.10

The draft resolution entitled "Assistance to Palestine Refugees" (A/C.4/62/L.10) was adopted, by a recorded vote of 160 to 1, with 6 abstentions.

A/C.4/62/L.11

The draft resolution entitled "Persons displaced as a result of the June 1967 and subsequent hostilities" (A/C.4/62/L.11) was adopted, by a recorded vote of 158 to 6, with 1 abstention.

The representative of Argentina made a statement.

A/C.4/62/L.12

The draft resolution entitled "Operations of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East" (A/C.4/62/L.12) was adopted, by a recorded vote of 159 to 6, with 1 abstention.

A/C.4/62/L.13

The draft resolution entitled "Palestine refugees' properties and their revenues" (A/C.4/62/L.13) was adopted, by a recorded vote of 158 to 6, with 1 abstention.

The representative of the Netherlands made a statement.

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories [33]

The representative of Cuba made a statement introducing draft resolutions A/C.4/62/L.14, A/C.4/62/L.15, A/C.4/62/L.16, A/C.4/62/L.17 and A/C.4/62/L.18.

A statement in explanation of vote before the vote was made by the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic.

The representative of Senegal made a statement.

The representative of Nicaragua made a statement on a point of order.

Action on draft resolutions

A/C.4/62/L.14

The draft resolution entitled "Work of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the

Occupied Territories" (A/C.4/62/L.14) was adopted, by a recorded vote of 85 to 8, with 70 abstentions.

The representative of Burundi made a statement

A/C.4/62/L.15

The draft resolution entitled "Applicability of the Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, of 12 August 1949, in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the other Occupied Arab Territories" (A/C.4/62/L.15) was adopted, by a recorded vote of 155 to 6, with 5 abstentions.

A/C.4/62/L.16

The draft resolution entitled "Israeli Settlements in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the Occupied Syrian Golan" (A/C.4/62/L.16) was adopted, by a recorded vote of 154 to 7, with 4 abstentions.

A/C.4/62/L.17

The draft resolution entitled "Israeli practices affecting the human rights of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem" (A/C.4/62/L.17) was adopted, by a recorded vote of 148 to 8, with 7 abstentions.

A/C.4/62/L.18

The draft resolution entitled "The Occupied Syrian Golan" (A/C.4/62/L.18) was adopted, by a recorded vote of 154 to 1, with 9 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Portugal (on behalf of the European Union), Canada and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

A statement was made by the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic.

A statement was made by the observer for Palestine.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda items 32 and 33.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded this part of its work.

Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa (UNCCD)

First extraordinary session

1st–2nd meetings

The summary of the 1st and 2nd meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa (UNCCD) will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2007/229).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Convention Against the Taking of Hostages. New York, 17 December 1979

Communication to the interpretative declaration made by the Islamic Republic of Iran upon accession: France (16 November 2007)[1]

Objection to the interpretative declaration made by the Islamic Republic of Iran upon accession: Germany (21 November 2007)[1]

Grains Trade Convention, 1995. London, 7 December 1994

Extension of time-limit for the deposit of instruments of ratification or accession until 30 June 2008

Food Aid Convention, 1999. London, 13 April 1999

Accession: Slovenia (26 October 2007)[1]

Extension of time-limit for the deposit of instruments of ratification or accession until 30 June 2008

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *November 2007* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Angola
H.E. Mr. Ismael Abraão Gaspar Martins

Asian States:
China
H.E. Mr. Wang Guangya

Eastern European States:
Slovenia
H.E. Ms. Sanja Štiglic

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Saint Kitts and Nevis
H.E. Mr. Delano Frank Bart

Western European and other States:
Germany
H.E. Mr. Thomas Matussek

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A/62/PV.24	Meeting held on 10 October 2007, 3 p.m. [A C E F R S]
	Fifth Committee
A/C.5/62/SR.1	Meeting held on 5 October 2007, 10 a.m. [A C E F R S]
A/C.5/62/SR.2	Meeting held on 8 October 2007, 10 a.m. [A C E F R S]
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A/62/390	Item 97 — Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
A/62/512/Add.2	Item 128 — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 — Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council — Thematic cluster II — Sanctions monitoring teams, groups and panels — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/62/543	Item 13 — The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict — Letter dated 13 November 2007 from the Head of the Delegation of the European Commission to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/62/543/Add.1	Item 13 — The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict — Letter dated 13 November 2007 from the Head of the Delegation of the European Commission to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/62/546	Items 59, 123 and 134 — Operational activities for development — Strengthening of the United Nations system — Joint Inspection Unit — Voluntary contributions in the United Nations system organizations: impact on programme delivery and resource mobilization strategies — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
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breaking the link between the illicit transaction of rough diamonds and armed conflict as a contribution to prevention and settlement of conflicts [A C E F R S]

Second Committee

A/C.2/62/L.38 Item 54 (d) — Sustainable development — Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/62/L.12 — Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind [A C E F R S]

Third Committee

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A/C.3/62/L.47/Rev.1 Item 70 (b) — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Belgium, Benin, Bulgaria, Canada, Cape Verde, Chile, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, Hungary, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mexico, Monaco, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Senegal, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Uruguay: revised draft resolution — Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism [A C E F R S]

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Fifth Committee

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